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SUBJECT: FOREIGN SMALL EARTH-STATION TECHNOLOGY ASSESSMENT

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1. A RECENT STUDY BY THE POST AND TELEGRAPH ADMINISTRATION (PTA) INDICATES THAT THE MOST ADVANTAGEOUS MEANS OF IMPROVING COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN ICELAND AND OTHER COUTRIES IS VIA SATELLITE WITH A GROUND STATION IN ICELAND. PTA ESTIMATES THE COST AT 430 MILLION ICELANDIC KRONUR (US\$1 EQUALS 118 KRONUR).

2. ACCORDING TO A NEWSPAPER ARTICLE LAST MONTH, CAPITAL IS NOT PRESENTLY AVAILABLE FOR THIS PROJECT AND WHEN IT BECOMES AVAILABLE, IT WILL TAKE TWO YEARS BEFORE THE STATION WILL BE ON LINE. THE ARTICLE CONTINUES, THE SCANDINAVIAN COUNTRIES OPERATE A GROUND STATION IN SWEDEN AND HAVE OFFERED ASSISTANCE TO ICELAND ON PREPARING TENDERS, ETC. OTHER SOLUTIONS WHICH WERE CONSIDERED BY ICELAND INCLUDED A RADIO SCATTER SYSTEM, AND A NEW SUBMARINE CABLE TO THE FAROE ISLANDS AND TO EUROPE.

3. AS THE EMBASSY DEVELOPS ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AS
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